

Selected Facts for Rusk County - 1999



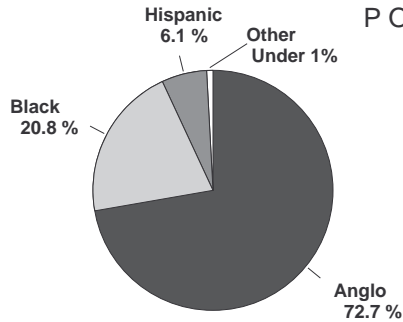
Demography

Estimated Population: 45,913

Population Per Square Mile: 49.7

Population Rank Among Texas' 254 Counties: 58

Area in Square Miles: 924



POPULATION INFORMATION

Age	Females	Males	Total	Percent
0 - 4	1,383	1,423	2,806	6.1 %
5 - 14	3,086	3,211	6,297	13.7 %
15 - 44	9,685	9,999	19,684	42.9 %
45 - 64	4,980	4,746	9,726	21.2 %
65 +	4,510	2,890	7,400	16.1 %
Total	23,644	22,269	45,913	100.0 %

County	51.5 %	48.5 %
State	50.4 %	49.6 %

Socioeconomic Indicators

	County	State
Unemployment Rate	6.0 %	4.6 %
Average Monthly TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) Recipients	561	369,938
Average Monthly Food Stamp Participants	2,791	1,457,347
Unduplicated Count of Medicaid Eligibles	6,353	2,676,056
Per Capita Personal Income, 1998	\$ 19,632	\$ 25,369

	Number	County	State
Persons Living Below Poverty, 1997			
Total	7,892	17.4 %	16.7 %
0 - 17 Years	2,922	22.8 %	23.6 %
18 Years and over	4,970	15.3 %	13.8 %
Persons Without Health Insurance			
Total	9,454	20.6 %	24.2 %
0 - 18 Years	2,885	23.1 %	25.0 %
19 - 64 Years	6,464	25.0 %	27.6 %

Natality

	Births ¹	County	State
Total Live Births	603		
Adolescent Mothers (<18)	43	7.1 %	6.1 %
Unmarried Mothers	201	33.3 %	31.3 %
Low Birth Weight ¹	56	9.3 %	7.4 %
Late or No Prenatal Care ¹	114	19.2 %	20.7 %
Fertility Rate ³	County: 62.3	State: 77.3	

Communicable Diseases - Reported Cases

	Cases	County	State
Tuberculosis	0	----	8.2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases			
Primary and Secondary Syphilis	1	----	2.3
Gonorrhea	33	71.9	163.0
Chlamydia	99	215.6	311.9
AIDS	2	----	14.3
Hepatitis A	0	----	12.6
Varicella (Chickenpox)	0	----	37.3

Mortality² (See note below)

	Deaths ¹	County	State
Deaths From All Causes	550	978.3	897.7
Cardiovascular Disease	212	366.0	360.3
Heart Disease	156	272.4	272.7
Stroke	46	76.8	66.3
All Cancer	122	228.5	199.7
Lung Cancer	39	73.6	56.3
Female Breast Cancer	8	----	25.8
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	32	55.6	47.4

	Deaths ¹	County	State
Diabetes	18	----	30.4
Unintentional Injury (Accidents)	30	59.3	38.2
Motor Vehicle Injury	14	----	15.6
Homicide	5	----	6.4
Suicide	6	----	10.5
Work-related Injury	2	----	2.8
Infant Deaths	3	----	6.2
Fetal Deaths ¹	5	----	6.4

¹ All births and deaths are by county of residence. Low birth weight represents live-born infants weighing less than 2,500 grams at birth. Late prenatal care refers to mothers who did not receive prenatal care during the first trimester of pregnancy. Fetal deaths are those occurring after 20 weeks gestation and prior to birth.

Note ² **Mortality data reported for 1999 are not comparable with data reported for prior years.** Beginning in 1999, TDH is following the National Center for Health Statistics guidelines for reporting mortality statistics that include coding data using the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th Revision and age adjustments using the 2000 Standard Population.

³ Fertility rates are per 1,000 women ages 15 - 44. Infant death rates and fetal death rates are per 1,000 live births. Work-related injury death rates are per 100,000 population. The remaining death rates have been age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. Standard Population per 100,000 population. Communicable disease rates are also per 100,000 population. Rates and percents have not been calculated if 20 or fewer births, deaths or cases occurred, as indicated by "----".

Health Professionals

	County	State
Direct Patient Care Physicians	26	28,595
Ratio of Population per Direct Care Physician.	1,766	701
Ratio of Population per General/Family Practice.	3,532	3,790
Ratio of Population (Females 15-44) per ob/gyn.	3,228	2,293
Registered Nurses	152	118,929
Ratio of Population per Registered Nurse.	302	169
Dentists	15	8,109
Ratio of Population per Dentist.	3,061	2,472

Health Facilities

	County	State
Acute Care Hospitals.	1	472
Licensed Beds.	158	72,201
Staffed Beds.	96	56,993
Disproportionate share hospital payments.	\$ 2,003,315	\$1,038,404,489
Nursing Homes	5	1,157
Licensed Beds.	623	127,432

All of Rusk County was designated as a Health Professional Shortage Area and as a Medically Underserved Area as of January 2001. For updated information, please check with the Health Professions Resource Center at 512-458-7261 or at <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/dpa/>.

Texas Department of Health Program Summary for Rusk County

Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program¹

Mammograms performed. 13

Children's Health Services

Children's health services available to county residents No

Chronically Ill and Disabled Children's Services¹

Eligible children. 42
Children served. 21
Amount paid. \$ 45,538

Emergency Medical Services

Emergency vehicles permitted. 6
EMS personnel certified. 102

Family Planning Services (Title V and XX)

Family planning services available to county residents No

Food and Drug Safety

Facilities licensed, registered, permitted or accredited. 116

Immunization Division

Vaccine doses administered (less than age 20). 8,563

Oral Health Services¹

Children receiving dental care. 28

Milk and Dairy Products Division

Establishments regulated. 5

Primary Health Care/COPH Services¹

Reported clients served. 47

Kidney Health Care¹

ESRD patients receiving life-sustaining treatments. 47
Estimated cost of treatments. \$ 55,447

Radiation Control Program

Health-related permit locations. 27
Certified mammography locations. 1

Texas Health Steps (EPSDT)¹

Number of checkups. 1,271

Tuberculosis Elimination Division¹

Persons treated for TB infection. 26

Women's Health Services

Prenatal and postpartum care services available to county residents No

Women, Infants, and Children's Nutrition¹

Clients receiving benefits. 2,239

Zoonosis Control

Number of animals diagnosed positive for rabies. 0

¹Data are reported by county of residence of the client.

For information on sources of data, refer to the document *Texas Health Facts Data Sources, 1999*.